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in good faith after written request, at a time and place convenient to both the party and the licensee.

Applications and related material placed in the file shall be retained for a period beginning with the date that they are tendered for filing and ending with the expiration of one license term (five (5) years for television licensees or seven (7) years for radio licensees) or until the grant of the first renewal application of the television or radio broadcast license in question, whichever is later, with two exceptions:

- (i) Engineering material pertaining to a former mode of operation need not be retained longer than 3 years after a station commences operation under a new or modified mode; and
- (ii) Material having a substantial bearing on a matter which is the subject of a claim against the licensee, or relating to an FCC investigation or a complaint to the FCC of which the licensee has been advised, shall be retained until the licensee is notified in writing that the material may be discarded, or, if the matter is a private one, the claim has been satisfied or is barred by statutes of limitations. Where an application or related material incorporates by reference material in an earlier application and material concerning programming and related matters (section IV and related material), the material so referred to shall be retained as long as the application referring to it.
- (f) Copies of any material required to be in the public file of any applicant for a construction permit, or permittee or licensee of any noncommercial educational TV or radio station shall be available for machine reproduction upon request made in person, provided the requesting party shall pay the reasonable costs of reproduction. Requests for machine copies shall be fulfilled at a location specified by the applicant, permittee or licensee, within a reasonable period of time which, in no event, shall be longer than seven days unless reproduction facilities are unavailable in the applicant's, permittee's or licensee's community. The applicant, permittee or licensee is not required to honor requests made by mail but may do so if it chooses.

(g) Noncommercial television stations requesting mandatory carriage on any cable system pursuant to §76.56 of this chapter shall place a copy of such request in its public file and shall retain both the request and relevant correspondence for the duration of any period to which the statement applies.

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EFFECTIVE DATE NOTE: At 59 FR 62344, Dec. 5, 1994, §73.3527 was amended by adding paragraph (g). Paragraph (g) contains information collection and recordkeeping requirements and will not become effective until approval has been given by the Office of Management and Budget.

## §73.3533 Application for construction permit or modification of construction permit.

- (a) Application for construction permit, or modification of a construction permit, for a new facility or change in an existing facility is to be made on the following forms:
- (1) FCC Form 301, "Application for Authority to Construct or Make Changes in an Existing Commercial Broadcast Station."
- (2) FCC Form 309, "Application for Authority to Construct or Make Changes in an Existing International or Experimental Broadcast Stations."
- (3) FCC Form 313, "Application for Authorization in the Auxiliary Broadcast Services."
- (4) FCC Form 330, "Application for Authorization to Construct New or Make Changes in an Instructional Television Fixed and/or Response Station(s), or to Assign to Transfer Such Station(s)."
- (5) FCC Form 340, "Application for Authority to Construct or Make Changes in a Noncommercial Educational Broadcast Station."
- (6) FCC Form 346, "Application for Authority to Construct or Make Changes in a Low Power TV, TV Translator or TV Booster Station."
- (7) FCC Form 349, "Application for Authority to Construct or Make Changes in an FM Translator or FM Booster Station."
- (b) The filing of an application for modification of construction permit does not extend the expiration date of

the construction permit. Extension of the expiration date must be applied for on FCC Form 307, in accordance with the provisions of §73.3534.

(c) In each application referred to in paragraph (a) of this section, the applicant will provide the Antenna Structure Registration Number (FCC Form 854R) of the antenna structure upon which it will locate its proposed antenna. In the event the antenna structure does not already have a Registration Number, either the antenna structure owner shall file FCC Form 854 ("Application for Antenna Structure Registration") in accordance with part 17 of this chapter or the applicant shall provide a detailed explanation why registration and clearance of the antenna structure is not necessary.

[44 FR 38494, July 2, 1979, as amended at 47 FR 28388, June 30, 1982; 49 FR 32582, Aug. 15, 1984; 50 FR 40016, Oct. 1, 1985; 53 FR 36788, Sept. 22, 1988; 61 FR 4367, Feb. 6, 1996]

## §73.3534 Application for extension of construction permit or for construction permit to replace expired construction permit.

(a) Application for extension of time within which to construct a station shall be filed on FCC Form 307, "Application for Extension of Broadcast Construction Permit or to Replace Expired Construction Permit." The application shall be filed at least 30 days prior to the expiration date of the construction permit if the facts supporting such application for extension are known to the applicant in time to permit such filing. In other cases, an application will be accepted upon a showing satisfactory to the FCC of sufficient reasons for filing within less than 30 days prior to the expiration date.

(b) Applications for extension of time to construct broadcast stations, with the exception of International Broadcast and Instructional TV Fixed stations, will be granted only if one of the following three circumstances have occurred:

- (1) Construction is complete and testing is underway looking toward prompt filing of a license application;
- (2) Substantial progress has been made *i.e.*, demonstration that equipment is on order or on hand, site ac-

quired, site cleared and construction proceeding toward completion; or

- (3) No progress has been made for reasons clearly beyond the control of the permittee (such as delays caused by governmental budgetary processes and zoning problems) but the permittee has taken all possible steps to expeditiously resolve the problem and proceed with construction.
- (c) Applications for extension of time to construct International Broadcast and Instructional TV Fixed stations will be granted upon a specific and detailed showing that the failure to complete was due to causes not under the control of the permittee, or upon a specific and detailed showing of other sufficient to justify an extension.
- (d) If an application for extension of time within which to construct a station is approved, such an extension will be limited to a period of no more than 6 months except when as assignment or transfer has been approved that provides for a longer period up to a maximum of 12 months from the date of consummation.
- (e) Application for a construction permit to replace an expired construction permit shall be filed on FCC Form 307. Such applications must be filed within 30 days of the expiration date of the authorization sought to be replaced. If approved, such authorization shall specify a period of not more than 6 months within which construction shall be completed and application for license filed.

[50 FR 52779, Dec. 26, 1985, as amended at 53 FR 36788, Sept. 22, 1988]

## §73.3535 Application to modify authorized but unbuilt facilities, or to assign or transfer control of an unbuilt facility.

(a) If a permittee finds it necessary to file either an application to modify its authorized, but unbuilt facilities, or an assignment/transfer application, such application shall be filed within the first 9 months of the issuance of the original construction permit for radio and other broadcast and auxiliary stations, or within 12 months of